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On a hot afternoon,  
    languid and lonely,  
she lay on the rock,  
    beside the sea,  
spread out her long,  
    wet hair  
to dry in the sun.  
    She fell asleep.  
A lizard blinked.  
    Night came,  
moon took over the sky,  
    chanting.  
The sea tossed out  
    shiny fish and shells,  
jewels and gold sand  
    that caught in her hair  
spread on the rock,  
    captured amongst  
the fine strands.  
    She came awake  
with a start,  
    sat up and  
threw back her  
    long hair like a net  
flung out, scattering  
    all about her  
what the sea  
    had gifted.  
Lucent charms cast  
    glowing around  
her upturned face,  
    catching the eye  
of a lone fisherman  
    who fell in love  
with the woman  
    in the moonlight.  
Luna winked.